



# Weekly Newsletter

Livestock, Grain, Poultry, Eggs, Fruits,  
Vegetables, & Cotton Prices  
in North Carolina & Surrounding Markets

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## North Carolina Broilers and Fryers

Estimated Weekly Slaughter: 14,626,466  
Average Weight/Bird for Retail Market: 5.74 lbs  
US Weekly Slaughter Estimate: 170,400,000

Demand: Moderate  
Supply: Adequate

## Southeast Live Hens

(7 lbs & Up)  
Market: Slightly Lower  
Demand: Mostly Fair  
Supply: Adequate  
Weighted Average Price: 9.84  
(Cents/lb at farm, buyer loading)

## North Carolina White Parts Market (weighted average cents/lb) – Wednesday

Breast (S/B) 129.39 Cut Wings 105.25 Tenderloins 117.71

**North Carolina Eggs (Cents per dozen)** Weighted average price for small lot sales of consumer grade eggs in cartons delivered to nearby retail outlets - Thursday: Extra Large: 128.62 Large: 121.75 Medium: 86.30 Small: 75.00

**Georgia FOB Dock (cents/lb)- Wednesday** Whole Birds: 88.50 Leg Quarters: 53.00 Thigh Meat: 131.00  
Breast (S/B): 145.00 Breast (Whole): 83.50 Wings (Whole): 97.00 Line Run Tenders: 172.50

## Eastern North Carolina Vegetables (Sales FOB Shipping Point Basis)

**GREENS:** Demand moderate. Market about steady. Various containers bunched/loose Collard, Kale, Mustard, Turnip Tops 6.00-7.00 mostly 6.00-6.50.

**SWEET POTATOES:** Demand moderate. Market about steady. Cured 40 pound cartons U.S. No. 1 medium 15.00-16.00 mostly 15.50-16.00 few lower occasional higher, U.S. No. 1 Petite 10.00-12.00 occasional lower, U.S. No. 2 6.00-8.00 few higher, No Grade Marks jumbo 8.00-10.00 some 7.00 few high as 11.00.

## Fresh Market Shipments in 1,000 Forty Pound Cartons (Beauregard, Covington or Hernandez) from 19 major shippers in North Carolina

	Aug 07-09, 2008	Total to Date	Aug 09-11, 2007	Total to Date Last Season
NC	86	8,354	73	8,478

Breakdown of shipments by category:	Foodservice	Retail	International
	18	54	14

	Aug 10-13, 2008	Total to Date	Aug 12-15, 2007	Total to Date Last Season	Total Cartons Last Season
NC	81	8,435	80	8,558	9,118

Breakdown of shipments by category:	Foodservice	Retail	International
	25	55	1

	Aug 09, 2008	Total to Date	Total to Date Last Season	Total Cartons Last Season
LA	36	2,983	2,732	2,754

## Louisiana Sweet Potatoes - Prices for cured (40 pound cartons) – Market: Steady

US No. 1s: 16.00-18.00 mostly 16.50-17.50 occasional low as 15.50 No. 2s: 8.00-10.00 mostly 8.00-9.00 occasional low as 7.00  
Jumbos: 9.00-10.50 mostly 9.00 occasional low as 8.00